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SANDERS CONGRATULATES REFORM-MINDED CITY COUNCIL FOR PLACING MEASURES ON NOVEMBER 2006 BALLOT

COUNCIL ADVANCES MANAGED COMPETITION AND VOTER APPROVED PENSION BENEFIT INCREASE MEASURES TO BALLOT

San Diego – Tonight, the San Diego City Council placed Mayor Jerry Sanders' two ballot measures on the November 2006 general election ballot. By a 7-1 vote, the City Council advanced measures that would: 1) introduce managed competition; and 2) require voters to approve all future pension benefit increases. The Council also unanimously approved a measure to recommend that certain language be considered as part of the implementing ordinances.

"This is a tremendous victory for reform efforts at City Hall," said Mayor Sanders. "The City Council should be congratulated for their efforts tonight to bring meaningful change to City processes. These two measures are important tools in the arsenal."

Sanders departs tonight on the red-eye flight for New York (Tuesday) and Washington, D.C. (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday). In New York, he will meet with the financial markets and the financial press. In Washington, he will meet with leaders at the White House, Capitol Hill, the Pentagon and the Department of Homeland Security. The Mayor returns to San Diego late Friday night.

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